<u>REMARKS</u>

[0003] Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all

of the claims of the application. Claims 1-37 are presently pending. Claims

amended herein are 1, 9-11, 16, 20-21, and 30-33. Claims withdrawn or

cancelled herein are 5, 7, 12-13, 17, 25, 27-29, 35, and 37. New claims added

herein are none.

Statement of Substance of Interview

[0004] The Examiner graciously talked with me—the undersigned

representative for the Applicant—on July 10, 2007. Applicant greatly appreciates

the Examiner's willingness to talk. Such willingness is invaluable to both of us in

our common goal of an expedited prosecution of this patent application.

[0005] During the interview, I discussed how the claims differed from the

cited art, namely Na. Without conceding the propriety of the rejections and in the

interest of expediting prosecution, I also proposed several possible clarifying

amendments.

[0006] The Examiner was receptive to the proposals, though I understood

the Examiner to indicate that he was unsure whether the proposed clarifying claim

amendments appeared to distinguish over the cited art of record. However, the

Examiner indicated that he would need to review the cited art more carefully

and/or do another search, and requested that the proposed amendments be

presented in writing.

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[0007] Applicant herein amends the claims in the manner discussed during

the interview. Accordingly, Applicant submits that the pending claims are allowable

over the cited art of record for at least the reasons discussed during the interview.

Formal Request for an Interview

[0008] If the Examiner's reply to this communication is anything other than

allowance of all pending claims, then I formally request an interview with the

Examiner. I encourage the Examiner to call me—the undersigned representative

for the Applicant—so that we can talk about this matter so as to resolve any

outstanding issues quickly and efficiently over the phone.

[0009] Please contact me or my assistant to schedule a date and time for a

telephone interview that is most convenient for both of us. While email works

great for us, I welcome your call to either of us as well. Our contact information

may be found on the last page of this response.

**Claim Amendments and Additions** 

[0010] Without conceding the propriety of the rejections herein and in the

interest of expediting prosecution, Applicant amends claims 1, 9-11, 16, 20-21,

and 30-33 herein.

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**Formal Matters** 

**Claims** 

Claim 20 has been objected to under 37 C.F.R. 1.75(c) as being of [0011]

improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous

claim. Herein, Applicant amends this claim, as shown above, to correct the

informalities noted by the Examiner.

**Substantive Matters** 

Claim Rejections under § 112

Claims 18 and 19 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second [0012]

paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly

claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 18 and

19 have been specifically rejected as failing to include the proper antecedent basis

for the term "multiplexer". Applicant has amended the base claims from which

these claims depend from to include the term "multiplexer".

In light of the amendments presented herein, Applicant submits that [0013]

these rejections are moot. Accordingly, Applicant asks the Examiner to withdraw

these rejections.

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## Claim Rejections under §§ 102 and/or 103

[0014] Claims 1-17 and 20-37 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Publication No. 2001/0028780 to Na (hereinafter "Na"). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

amendments [0015] Ιn liaht of the presented herein and the decisions/agreements reached during the above-discussed Examiner interview, Applicant submits that these rejections are moot. Accordingly, Applicant asks the Examiner to withdraw these rejections.

## **Exemplary Differences**

Applicant has amended claim 1 to now claim a method of computing, comprising:

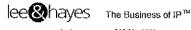
> receiving portions of a packetized, multiprogram transport stream including program specific information about data in the packetized, multi-program transport stream;

extracting, from the program specific information, at least one program identifier associated with data in the packetized, multi-program transport stream; [and]

retrieving from the program identifier at least one program association table; retrieving from the program association table at least one program map table; <u>an</u>d

providing the extracted [program identifier] program association table and program map table to an external application, wherein the external application retrieves transport stream packets that are mapped to the program map table and configures a demultiplexer output pins

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to output at least one program of interest from the retrieved transport stream packets

Na does not disclose the use of the program association table and [0016]

program map table to retrieve transport stream packets. Further, there is no

indication in Na that the program association table and program map table are

used to configure the demultiplexer output. Na gives no indication as to how the

audio and video outputs are determined. As such Na does not disclose, teach or

suggest to a person of ordinary skill in the art the present claimed invention.

[0017] Each of the independent claims have been amended to incorporate

similar subject matter, and thus would be allowable for reasons similar to those

given for claim 1. For brevity sake, applicant will not repeat the arguments at this

time.

**Dependent Claims** 

In addition to its own merits, each dependent claim is allowable for [0018]

the same reasons that its base claim is allowable. Applicant requests that the

Examiner withdraw the rejection of each dependent claim where its base claim is

allowable.

**Conclusion** 

All pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant [0019]

respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the application. If

any issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the **Examiner is** 

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<u>urged to contact me before issuing a subsequent Action</u>. Please call/email me or my assistant at your convenience.

Respectfully Submitted,

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